

DAILY PLANET

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

Monday, June 1

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Discovery Poised for Launch Tues.

Flight: STS-91

Orbiter: Discovery

Launch: Tuesday, June 2, 5:10 p.m.CDT (estimated)

Landing: Friday, June 12, 1:03 p.m. CDT (estimated)

Duration: 9 days

Crew Members:

Charles Precourt, Commander

Dominic Gorie, Pilot

Wendy Lawrence, Mission Specialist

Franklin Chang-Diaz, Mission Specialist

Janet Kavandi, Mission Specialist

Valery Victorovitch Ryumin, Mission Specialist



Highlights: STS-91 will mark the final Shuttle/Mir Docking Mission and bring home NASA astronaut Andrew Thomas. This Phase 1 Program is a precursor to the International Space Station, developing the procedures and hardware required for an international partnership in space. The Marshall-managed first super lightweight external tank is set to fly with Discovery. The improved tank was developed to increase Shuttle performance for the International Space Station assembly flights.

Conference on Aerospace Environmental Technology, Mon-Wed., Von Braun Center

Lt. Gov. Siegelman to Speak at Update Luncheon June 11

The Huntsville/Madison County Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring an Alabama Update luncheon with Lt. Gov. Don Siegelman, noon June 11, at the Huntsville Hilton. Siegelman will present his assessments of the last legislative session and possible future legislation vital to Alabama's economic health. Tickets are \$20 each and reservation deadline is Thursday. **Contact:** Mary Rutledge, 4-5252

Bookfair Planned for Tues.-Thurs.

The NASA Exchange is sponsoring the semi-annual bookfair 8 a.m.-4 p.m. June 2-4 in Bldg. 4200, room G-13. A variety of hardback books will be offered at discounted prices.